Exam Information

The Alabama Board offers the following National exams:

Fundamentals of Engineering (FE or EIT)
Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE)
Fundamentals of Land Surveying (FLS)
Principles and Practice of Land Surveying (PLS)

We also offer our State specific Alabama History and Law of Surveying exam (ALLS)

While each state has its own statutes regulating engineering and land surveying, generally a passing grade of 70 on the national recognized examination in one state will be accepted in other states as fulfillment of their requirements for examination.

The national exams are given twice a year. The exam dates can be found under dates and deadlines on the web site.

Exam attempts

A new exam candidate, if approved to take the exam, is approved for four exam attempts within a 5 year period.

In the event the applicant fails to pass after the four attempts, the applicant will be notified the application is closed. If your application has been closed, you will be required to file another application and update your experience since the first application. No additional verification, references or transcripts will be required.

Exam Results

FE, PE FLS, PLS and ALLS

April exam - results usually mailed mid June

October exam - results usually mailed late December

ALLS Exam (if you took the ALLS exam **only**)

February, April, July & October exams - results usually mailed in a month

How to Apply for the FE Exam

First Time Applicants: You must submit the FE application and the application fee by January 15 for the April exam and July 1 for the October exam.

Re-exam Applicants: If you have taken and failed an exam or you did not attend the

exam you signed up to take, you must submit the FE application with **only** questions 1-12 and 15 completed and the re-exam fee by January 15 for the April exam and July 1 for the October exam.

Fundamentals of Engineering Examination (FE) - a link to NCEES web site for specifics on the FE exam

How to Apply for the PE Exam

First Time Applicants: You must submit the exam request form and exam fee along with your application to be reviewed by the Board no later than January 15 for the April exam or July 1 for the October exam.

Re-exam: If you have taken and failed an exam or you did not attend the exam you signed up to take, you must submit the re-exam request form and re-exam fee. The request form and fee must be received by January 15 for the April exam or July 1 for the October exam.

Principles and Practice of Engineering Examination (PE) - a link to NCEES web site for specifics on the PE exam

The Alabama Board offers the PE exam in the following engineering disciplines at the time indicated:

Disciplines offered in the Spring and Fall

Chemical	Environmental
Civil	Mechanical
Electrical	Structural I

Disciplines offered in the Fall Only

Agricultural	Metallurgical
Control Systems	Mining/Mineral
Fire Protection	Nuclear
Industrial	Petroleum
Manufacturing	

Disciplines offered in the Spring Only

How to Apply for the FLS Exam with a degree and less than 8 years of experience

First Time Applicants: You must submit the FLS application and the application fee by January 15 for the April exam and July 1 for the October exam.

Re-exam Applicants: If you have taken and failed an exam or you did not attend the exam you signed up to take, you must submit the FLS application with only questions 1-12 and 15 completed and the re-exam fee by January 15 for the April exam and July 1 for the October exam.

Fundamentals of Land Surveying Examination (FLS) - a link to NCEES web site for specifics on the FLS exam

How to Apply for the FLS, PLS and/or ALLS Exams without a degree

First Time Applicants: You must submit the exam request form and exam fee along with your application to be reviewed by the Board no later than January 15 for the April exam or July 1 for the October exam.

Re-exam: If you have taken and failed an exam or you did not attend the exam you signed up to take, you must submit the re-exam request form and re-exam fee. The request form and fee must be received by January 15 for the April exam or July 1 for the October exam.

Principles and Practice of Land Surveying Examination (PLS) - a link to NCEES web site for specifics on the PLS exam

Study Material, Information Allowed into the Exams and Admission Cards

We are under contract with NCEES/ELSES to administer the exam. Their website specifies what can be brought into the exam site. For more information on exam content and study guides contact the National Council (NCEES) at (864) 654-6824 or their website is www.ncees.org.

The admission card is mailed 21 days prior to the exam by ELSES. If you have questions concerning your admission card or location, contact ELSES at (877) 536-7729 or www.els-examreg.org.

A list of suggested study material for the ALLS exam is listed below.

Study Material	Who to contact to get					
Code of Alabama 1975 Title 34 Chapter 11	provided	with	admission	card	or	on
	website					

Administrative Code	provided with admission card or on website
Brown's Boundary Control & Legal Principles - 4 th Edition (Jan. 1995)	Book Store - written by Walter G. Robillard and Donald A. Wilson
Restoration of Lost or Obliterated Corners & Subdivision of Sections	Dept of Interior,Bureau of Land Management - (202) 452-5125 or www.az.blm.gov/plats/fieldserv.html
BLM Manual of Surveying Instructions 1973	www.az.blm.gov/plats/fieldserv.html (scanned image)
Clark on Surveying & Boundaries - 7 th Edition	Book Store - written by Walter G. Robillard and Donald A. Wilson
Skelton on Boundaries	Book Store
Sections from The Faircloth Notes	provided with admission Card or on website
Alabama Health Department Rules for Onsite Sewage Disposal	AL Health Dept - (334) 206-5373
Manual of Practice for Land Surveying in Alabama	ASPLS - (334) 279-7040
Alabama MTS - latest edition	provided with admission Card or www.aspls.org/ look under technical
Evidence and Procedures for Boundary Location - 3 rd Edition (1994)	Book Store - written by Walter G. Robillard and Donald A. Wilson
27 Datum Tables (Plane Coordinate Projection Tables Alabama - Special Publication No. 304)	National Geodetic Survey (301) 713-3242